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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2002, please  
amend the above-identified application without prejudice as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 29, 30, 31, and 40 as  
set forth below:

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-- 1. (Once Amended) A color photothermographic element that is  
a photographic film comprising at least three light-sensitive units which have their  
individual sensitivities in different wavelength regions, each of the units  
comprising at least one light-sensitive silver-halide emulsion, binder, and dye-  
providing coupler, and a blocked developer in the presence of an effective amount  
of a thermal solvent for promoting development in a dry or substantially dry  
process in the absence of thermal dye transfer, which thermal solvent comprises a  
phenolic ring and is represented by the following structure

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